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SUBJ: RFA TRAVEL TO ITALY

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1. RFA WILL OBTAIN NMFS REPORTS FROM STORER.TX.

2. RFA AND ROME EMBOFFS DISCUSSED ITALIAN FISHERIES IN AFRICA. AT PRESENT ITALY HAS FISHERIES AGREEMENT WITH TUNISIA. EMBOFF INDICATED IS THAT OPENING OF SUEZ MAY SPARK SOME ITALIAN INVOLVEMENT IN SOMALI FISHERIES. PRESENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN ITALY, ACCORDING EMBOFFS, HAS RESULTED IN A WAIT AND SEE ATTITUDE BY POTENTIAL INVESTORS IN POSSIBLE OVERSEAS VENTURES; NEW GOVERNMENT, FOR EXAMPLE, MIGHT CONSIDER NATIONALIZATION OF SEGMENTS OF FISHING INDUSTRY. UNTIL NEW POLICIES ARE ESTABLISHED INVESTMENT IN FISHERIES LIKELY TO BE MINIMAL. SITUATION ALSO AFFECTED BY STRONG SEAMEN UNION AND GENERAL UNWILLINGNESS OF ITALIAN SEAMEN TO WORK LONG PERIODS OF TIME IN OVERSEAS FISHERIES. FINAL FACTOR IS GENERAL LACK OF HIGH-SEAS VESSELS ABLE TO FISH. EMBOFFS DID NOT HAVE ITALIAN SIDE OF RECENT FAILURE IN SENEGAL, BUT PROMISED ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION.

3. EMBASSY ROME MAY WISH TO COMMENT OR CLEAR ABOVE PRIOR TO NMFS PUBLICATION.

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4. EMBOFFS ROME ALSO INDICATED STRONG DEMAND FOR SOURCES OF

SWORDFISH, RED MULLET (TRIGLIA), MULLET (CAFALO) AND SOLE
(SOGLIOA). RFA COPENHEGEN MAY WISH TO FOLLOW UP.
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